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Sunday School Board Celebrates Fifty-Fourth Anniversary

Walter M. Gilmore

In connection with its regular meeting in Nashville, Tennessee, June 6, the Sunday School Board observed its fifty-fourth anniversary, which was featured by an address by Dr. E. P. Alldredge on "The Sunday School Board's Contribution to the First Hundred Years of Southern Baptist History." Incidentally it was the tenth anniversary of Dr. T. L. Holcomb as executive secretary-treasurer of the Board, which was also appropriately noted.

Dr. Alldredge offered his resignation as head of the department of Survey, Statistics, and Information, to become effective September 15, when he will have completed twenty-five years in this capacity. However, he will continue his services till the last of this

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Effective Spiritual Strategy Depends On New Testament Churches

M. Theron Rankin,
Executive Secretary
Foreign Mission Board

(We are indebted to Secretary Rankin for the privilege of reproducing four of five paragraphs from his reply to a query of a well-known ecumenical missionary leader concerning the contribution which his department could make to Southern Baptists. Dr. Rankin expresses the opinion that victories in the Kingdom of God will not be won by a united ecclesiastical world order planning an overall spiritual strategy for other nations, but rather by little groups of Christians in those various lands, making their plans as they are led by the Spirit of God. In other words, effective spiritual strategy in witnessing for Christ will depend on the

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Secretary McCall Writes From Alaska

The following items have been received from D. A. (Scotch) McCall now in Alaska on a mission trip:

Alaska had approximately 70,000 population before the war. It probably has 250,000 people in it now. It has one Baptist church—at Anchorage. It has one Baptist mission—at Fairbanks. Northern Baptists have an orphanage project at Kodiak. Alaska needs more Baptist churches! Baptists need to have more churches in Alaska! A few denominations are nearly always in on "the ground floor" of a new field. We wish Baptists had the habit.

At Fairbanks Presbyterians came in 40 years ago—Baptists last year. Catholics have been here a long time, as have Episcopalians—Baptists since last year. Others having a work here are: Church of Christ, Mormons, Nazarenes, Assembly of God, Lutherans, Christian Scientists, Spiritualists, Jehovah's Witnesses and Seventh Day Adventists. An unusual thing—Methodists have no church here, though they have just made a survey of the whole country, looking toward doing something about it. What will Baptists do?

A Methodist woman said, "What do you want another church here for? The people have more churches than they can support now!" Our pastor replied, "The people support 72 bars and saloons and there are only 12 churches. It would seem they might support one or two more churches."

No Baptistry in Alaska

There is not a baptistry in Alaska. How does that stack up with Matthew 28:18-20? Lakes here in June are still largely covered with ice and the water is cold to a degree we in Mississippi can little imagine!

A Baptist church should be located in the following places, in addition to

Anchorage, Fairbanks and Kodiak: Wrangel, Petersburg, Juneau (the capital), Sitka (the former capital), Ketchikan, Cordova, Valdez, Seward, and Nome. A missionary work needs to be done all over Alaska. This ministry would be to the many hundreds of cabin homes of Indians, Eskimos, trappers, miners, etc. This work would be via airplane as Alaska has few highways, railroads or navigable rivers. Most people travel by plane. Many own small planes. The churches need to use them in their ministry.

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Pressure To Lift Travel Restrictions Increases

Washington—(RNS)—Organized religious pressure for relaxation on travel of all types of church meetings is increasing in various sections of the nation—including Washington—according to an informed source in the Office of Defense Transportation.

The "cause celebre" that has caused church groups—predominantly Protestant—to start a new wave of pressure is said by an ODT official to have been the lifting of the ban on horse racing.

"I feel that the churches are making a mountain out of a molehill in connecting the lifting of the race ban with the restrictions on travel for religious purposes," said the ODT official, whose name was not given.

Senator Arthur Capper (R., Kans.) declared in a Senate speech that "the recent action of the War Committee on Conventions in lifting the ban on horse and dog races, but retaining the restrictions on religious conventions has given rise to much questioning of the justice and equity of the policy."

My Favorite Sermon

Strengthening Our Churches (Sermon)---W. E. Hardy

By W. E. Hardy
Pastor, Lexie Baptist Church

Note: My favorite sermon must suit the time, place, and occasion. Each sermon I preach is a trial sermon: trying to please my Lord. When the preacher is led by the Holy Spirit the sermon will do that.

Subject: "Strengthening Our Churches"

Scripture lesson: Acts 15:36 to 16:10. Texts: 15:41 and 16:5.

What is a New Testament or Gospel church? There have been many attempts to define the term. The best one I know, most comprehensive, the nearest to what I know of the teaching of the New Testament, has been given by Dr. George McDaniel in his "Churches of the New Testament." As I recall it, it reads something like this: "A Gospel or New Testament church is an organized body, of baptized believers equal in rank and privilege, under the headship of Christ, united in the belief of what He has taught, covenanting together to do what He has commanded, cooperating with other like bodies in Kingdom movements."

Does the church to which you belong meet these qualifications? Is every member of that body the very best Christian it is possible to be? If these questions cannot be answered in the affirmative it needs strengthening. Let us note some vital questions.

I. First. Why strengthen our churches? Because of their Purpose in the world—to glorify God. This is done in two ways: Saving the lost and



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developing and using the saved. 2. Because of their Place. It is unique. And 3. because of their Power. It is divine. It shall accomplish its end.

II. Second. Who is to do it? 1. The pastor, preacher, minister, bishop, elder, evangelist. 2. The people. See Acts 6. Each has a part and a place—work to do. 3. The Paraclete, the Holy Spirit, Guide, Helper. "One called along side."

These three are necessary. The last named is the most important. When these are of "one mind, one accord, striving together for the faith of the gospel" things will be accomplished for the Lord.

III. Third. What will strengthen (Continued on Page Twelve)

-Sparks & Splinters-

A friend of Clarke Memorial College now living in another state sends a check for \$50 to the Mississippi Baptist Foundation to be added to the endowment fund for the college. Two other friends have sent in a \$25 war bond each for the same purpose. The Foundation holds more than \$7,000 in such funds for the college.

The Houka church has organized a Baptist Young People's Union. The first meeting was held on May 13 with four members. The enrollment has reached 11 and with the return of the college students we expect to have a larger group.—Mrs. Ernest Wessels, leader.

There were 35 additions in the revival conducted at First church, Philadelphia, by Dr. Gaines S. Dobbins of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky., who did the preaching and Prof. W. Plunkett Martin, of Baptist Bible Institute, New Orleans, who conducted the singing. This was the second consecutive year for Dr. Dobbins and Pastor Walter L. Johnson reports that the congregation liked him even better this year.

"I beg your pardon, sir. My wife wants me to help her clean house this afternoon. Would you let me have the afternoon off, sir?" "I certainly will not." "Thank you very much, sir. I knew I could depend on you."

Native: "Sahib, I saw a lot of tiger-tracks about a mile north of here." Hunter: "Good! Which way is south?"

The Frenchman did not like the looks of the barking dog barring his way. "It's all right," said his host, "don't you know the proverb: 'Barking dogs never bite'?" "Ah, yes," said the Frenchman, "I know ze proverb, you know the proverb; but ze dog—does he know ze proverb?"

Teacher: "How many examples did you get correctly?" Pupil: "If I get this one right and three more, it will make four."

A gentleman cruising in the Mediterranean wrote home to his son: "I am now standing on the edge of the precipice from which the ancient Spartans flung their defective children: I am sorry you are not with me."

First, Kosciusko: Our Vacation Bible school is to begin soon (June 4) with Miss Auris Pender as director of the school. During this time we would like to show the Junior and Intermediate Departments some Baptist papers from some of the other states along with ours. Of course we will have ours but I am wondering if you could send me just a single copy of some other states that might come to your desk. We will greatly appreciate the favor.—Rowe Holcomb, pastor.

Mrs. H. C. Rowe, president of the Winona W. M. U., met with the young married ladies of the church on May 29 and organized a Junior Ladies' Circle. There were 22 present. The following officers were elected: Chairman, Mrs. Carolyn Chatman; co-chairman, Mrs. Martha Tullos; teacher, Mrs. Margaret Clark. The following committee chairmen were appointed: Mrs. Lula Power, Community Missions; devotional leader, Mrs. Tiny Campbell; secretary, Mrs. Hazel Vaughn; treasurer, Mrs. Florence Boyd, and publicity chairman, Mrs. Gladys Ragsdale. The next meeting will be June 19.—C. B. Hamlet, III, pastor.

"Why I Became a Baptist" is an interesting pamphlet by Rev. George B. Reynolds, pastor of the Tabernacle Baptist Church of Maysville, Kentucky. The author was formerly a

Methodist pastor and accepted the Baptist viewpoint after hearing Rev. Clarence Walker deliver a series of lectures on "The Trail of Blood." Concerning the pamphlet Pastor Walker says, "My examination of the ms of this little book impresses me with the positive manner in which it sets forth twelve of the great truths that are held by Baptists. The author also explains why he became a Baptist." The price is 25c and orders should be sent to the author.

"The Gospel of Redemption" by Dr. Walter T. Conner, Ph.D., D.D., professor of Systematic Theology in Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary is a book that every Christian could read with profit. No preacher should be without it. It treats of the great Christian doctrines. Chapter headings are: Sin, Election, The Redemptive Work of Christ, Becoming a Christian, The Christian Life, The Coming of the Kingdom of God. Every one of its 368 pages is worth reading. The price is \$3.00 and orders should be sent to the Baptist Book Store. The publisher is the Broadman Press.

"Seeing is Believing" is a one-act play by Elliot Field and published by the Westminster Press, Witherspoon Building, Philadelphia, Pa. It is the story of one who insisted on seeing all he believed, but he changed his mind. The price is 25c and orders should be sent to the publisher.

Should Prohibition Return? by Rev. George B. Cutter, D.D., Ph.D., LL.D., is a powerful arraignment of the liquor traffic today as a rapidly mounting peril to American civilization, and an appeal for a commonsense appraisal of a danger which is within the power of man to control. Weighted with documentary evidence and state and federal statistics it shows that the liquor interests have not reformed, that catering to youth has become a specialty, and that alcoholism and its attendant diseases are on the increase. It appeals urgently to churches, which are now outnumbered by drinking places by more than two to one, to increase their efforts against John Barleycorn, and unite in the task of sweeping away the liquor traffic as a blot on the nation. The author, a noted lecturer is the retired president of Colgate-Rochester Divinity School and was formerly president of Colgate University, of the International Association of Torch Clubs, and of the National Council of Y. M. C. A. The publisher is Fleming H. Revell Co., New York, and the price is \$1.50. Orders should be sent to the publisher or to the Baptist Book Store.

The Message of the New Testament is by Dr. Archibald M. Hunter, formerly Yates professor of New Testament Greek and Exegesis at Mansfield College, Oxford, and now pastor of a Presbyterian church in Scotland. It is "a scholarly and popular exposition of the thesis that whereas the critical approach to the New Testament documents has been in the main analytical, it is now opportune that emphasis should be laid anew on the synthetic approach. The unity of the New Testament—and for that matter of the Bible as a whole—used to be taken for granted. But it is being reaffirmed now in a more vital sense, in light of the results of the modern critical movement; and it is this task of reaffirmation that Dr. Hunter has taken in hand. He is excellently well qualified for the task, and we have pleasure in commending his book."—Expository Times. The price is \$1.00 and orders should be sent to the West-

minster Press, Witherspoon Building, Philadelphia 7, Pa., or to the Baptist Book Store.

Render Unto Caesar, a collection of war time sermons, is virtually a history of wartime American preaching, using authentic sermons from the four great American wars, including World War II. It is a collection of sermons on all phases of religion in war time. Among the questions discussed in the various sermons are: Are oppressed people justified in spilling the blood of their oppressors? What should be the soldier's attitude on the battlefield? What is true patriotism? Are any helpful lessons learned during wartime? Is the clergyman who has no sons of his own justified in condoning the war in which his parishioners' sons have died? Was Jesus a pacifist? Does democracy provide the best environment for the growth of religion? The publisher is Lewis Publishing Co., 47 West street, New York, 6, N. Y. The price is \$2.00 and orders should be sent to the publisher or the Baptist Book Store.

Through Blood and Fire in Latin America by Lester F. Sumrall is a book of 246 pages of interesting stories of missionary work in Latin America. It is a dynamic record of Evangelist Sumrall's good will crusade in Latin America. The book presents not merely a colorful picture of Latin American life, but a stirring call to action. The author declares in her preface: "We are now at the opening verse of the opening page of the first chapter of the initial volume of world evangelism. Overwhelming possibilities are before the Christian church of today. Christian missions must belt the globe with good will, encircle it with hope, enrich it with love, teach it Christ. Let's look southward!" The publisher is Zondervan Publishing House, Grand Rapids, Michigan. The price is \$2.00. Orders should be sent to the publisher or to the Baptist Book Store.

"How in the world did you get rid of all those hammocks with the fancy frilled edges we found in grandpa's storeroom?" asked the first partner. "Well," confessed the second partner, "I told my wife, in confidence, that hammocks were going to be rationed, and next day she attended her book club."

"How realistic that painting is! It fairly makes my mouth water." "A sunset makes your mouth water?" "Oh, it is a sunset, is it? I thought it was a fried egg!"

We moved to Summerland on May 10. They gave us a hearty welcome and we found a pantry well-stocked with groceries. We are making big plans for the future.—Clarence Hughes, pastor.

Not one but many residents of Summit have reminded The Baptist Record that Admiral Thomas, recently appointed naval chief of chaplains, was pastor of the Methodist church at Summit, when first appointed naval chaplain.

New York—(RNS)—Presbyterian (U. S. A.) churches have oversubscribed their minimum war-time service fund goal of \$1,254,000 by \$26,000, according to Dr. Harold A. Dalzell, director of the War-Time Service Commission, here. Before the close of the campaign on May 30, the denomination expects to raise an additional 20% over the minimum goal for immediate post-war needs. Methodists of the nation have also passed, by more than one million, their goal to raise \$25,000,000 this year. Of this amount, \$11,000,000 is in cash and the balance is to be paid in ten months. Plans include concentration on post-war

plans, Sunday school attendance, stewardship and evangelism.

We had 12 additions in the revival which closed on May 27. Pastor H. W. Shirley did the preaching and Otis Perry of Leakesville led the singing. Preceding the revival Miss Sybil Deeweese conducted a two-weeks VBS. There was an enrollment of 110 with an average attendance of 82.—L. V. Murray, S. S. superintendent.

"Hall of Fame" for Mississippi Baptists: I wish to suggest that some place be arranged in our Baptist Building to display the pictures of our state denominational leaders and workers of past years and the present, such as our secretaries, editors, college presidents, superintendents of orphanage and hospitals and other worthies. Mississippi Baptists are a great people and we have had and still have great leaders and we do well to keep them in memory. I believe there are other Baptists in our state that would like to see this done.—B. E. Phillips, New Hebron, Miss.

Rev. H. J. Bennett knows the value of The Baptist Record from past experience. He recently brought the EVERY FAMILY list from Byram church, Hinds county.

Dr. T. O. Reese began a centennial revival with First church, Moss Point on June 13. A card from Pastor J. F. Brock states that Dr. Reese has conducted more revival meetings than any other preacher in the Southern Baptist Convention.

Should there be some Baptist church in reach of Newton without a pastor that could use a student pastor from Clarke College I would suggest getting in touch with Rev. L. S. Polk, care of Clarke Memorial College, Newton. He will do good work for any church that calls him. I have known him from childhood and he is of a fine Christian family.—B. E. Phillips, New Hebron.

Harland's Creek church, Holmes county, Madison Flowers, pastor, is on the Glory Roll of Blue Mountain College Endowment Plan.

Gunnison church, R. A. Martin, pastor, is on the Glory Roll of the Blue Mountain College Endowment Campaign.

Blue Mountain, Miss., May 30—Betty Tittsworth, of Paris, Arkansas, member of the class of '46, Blue Mountain College, has received notice that a poem she entered in the Atlantic Contest has been chosen by the contest judges as one of the top entries of the contest. Her poem, on the theme of death, is entitled "It Seems to Me as if a Door Has Closed." Each year several hundred poems are entered in this contest by college and university students all over the United States. The Atlantic Monthly sponsors the contest.

"A Manual of Ecclesiology" by H. E. Dana and revised in collaboration with L. M. Sipes is one of the latest books produced by the Central Seminary Press. It treats the doctrine of the church distinctly and without apology from the Baptist point of view. Chapter headings are: A Problem of Terms, The Church in New Testament Writings, The Church in New Testament Life, The Church in Early Christian History, The Church in Protestant Christianity, The Church in Modern Denominationalism, Basis, Constitution, Officers, Ordinances, Public Worship. The price is \$2.00 and orders should be sent to the publisher, Kansas City, Kansas, or to the Baptist Book Store.

Mississippi Baptists---Your Secretary Says: "Love Never Fails," 1. Cor. 13:8b

"When Jesus saw the multitudes, He was moved with compassion on them," Matthew 9:35-36.

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Mississippi Baptists will certainly have the "green light" on State Missions for another year—at least, as far as finances are concerned! There will be and should be an "epidemic" of new church buildings. State Missions should get under this worthwhile program. In every possible way we should preach the Gospel in every corner of every county, in every hollow and on every hill! We should not only promote the Bible school at Clarke College but should have at least four in distant sections of the state. We should have summer workers in colportage services and Vacation Bible school work. We should do something for the Choctaw Indians—no one else is doing it. We should keep up the flood of Gospel tracts, making them the best possible! All of our departments should be kept and strengthened! We should increase largely our help to the Negroes and our hospitals! No work has been more romantic and fruitful recently than these two phases of State Mission service. We should have one or more summer assemblies! We must press help to our smaller and weaker churches, whether in town or rural areas! We must have more resident full time pastors. Buses need to be put on for transporting the people. Many livable pastors' homes need to be built!

We will need every available State Mission dollar if we build around us for Him!

Our heart is humble and happy over the forward steps taken by Mississippi Baptists in State Missions. In 1939 we had three department heads plus two evangelists in the field as distinctive state missionaries. June 1st, we will have five department heads, three full time, and one half time, district men, ten associational missionaries, and the usual State Mission pastors. Counting field workers, our State Mission pastors, missionaries and even office helpers we do not have over one hundred part or full time State Mission workers. We have 700,000 lost people in Mississippi. This is one missionary to 7,000 lost persons. A pastor could not care for these if he had them together in a city. As it is they are scattered throughout Mississippi. We are working toward a mighty State Mission program that will largely take this state for Christ but we have not achieved it as yet!

While all expressions, verbal and written, coming to us about the purchase of a Baptist Building have been unbounded in approval, we still doubt if most people realized some major savings involved. Let us consider just one at this time.

In the proposed three or four story building the thought of erecting an elevator was included. This meant a capital outlay of probably \$25,000. In addition there would have been the expenses of a full time operator.

In the two story building we purchased there is no need at all for an elevator.

We merely observe that, while an occasional person quibbles over pennies or a few dollars, some economies are being effected which save tens of thousands of dollars for the larger work of our Blessed Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ! Doxology!

As business manager for The Baptist Record we occasionally give intensive study to the organization and finances that we may see just where we are. The 1944 audit shows Baptist Record income as follows:

From subscriptions	\$41,702.52
From advertising	7,295.67
Miscellaneous	294.10
Total income	\$49,292.29
Total expenses	36,483.57

PROFIT \$12,808.72

By comparing these figures it will be seen that without the \$7,295.67 from advertising we would have still cleared \$5,000 for the year. The largest expense was for printing, \$17,313.94; next came salaries at \$10,623.70 (it takes real help to get out over 51,000 copies of a paper weekly) and then postage at \$4,517.73. The remaining items are small in amounts. It has taken much time, thought, planning and work to build the present organization and derive the present level of profit. Changes should be made only after careful study!

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Jackson to Alaska: with the help of W. B. (Bill) McIntyre, local agent and mighty good friend, we secured good travel accommodations from Jackson to Seattle. We started off with the Panama Limited—none better if so good. The Olympian, the crack train of the Milwaukee Road, took us from Chicago to Seattle. It is all right but it is not the Panama Limited. Our brief wait in Seattle was pleasant. Agents of the Alaska Airlines, Pan American Airways, The Milwaukee Road and Illinois Central were very courteous.

More important than the way we travel mechanically is the way we travel spiritually. Jeremiah 6:16. John 14:6.

The crew members of our Pan American Airways Clipper from Seattle to Juneau were superb in their treatment. And the scenery! What a varied panorama of sheer beauty! Snow capped mountains, warm valleys, water and silvery clouds all the way.

We spoke to a co-pilot and the stewardess about what we had heard of the beauty of "the inside passage" via boat. Not to be outdone the last three hundred miles the pilots put our plane down between the mountains along "the inside passage." Nine hundred miles in six hours, two-thirds of it at 9,000 feet, then low enough to see a bear on a shore! The pilot tipped his ship's wings. Did the bear tip back? Glaciers, snow drifts, beautiful, green mountain sides, waving waters—God's beautiful world! Genesis 7. Psalm 24. Psalm 19.

A second man in answer to our question about church services in Juneau,

Alaska, asked our own faith. We replied, "Baptist." We were told to go to the corner diagonally across the block from where we were and we would find a "very nice Baptist service." Were we wrong in what we had heard, read and written about "no Baptist church in Juneau"? We went around and found at the designated corner the Methodist church of Juneau. The young people had part in the service. The song service was a request program. The first song was "Near the Cross." Others were "Take Time to Be Holy," "Lead Kindly Light" and some we did not know—all out of the Methodist Hymnal. The sermon by a young preacher was good in content. The topic was "The Will of God" and in part a review of Weatherhead's recent book bearing that title. We led in prayer. Twenty-three persons were present.

We walked around to the Assembly of God. Their service was "going rather strong" with larger attendance. Then we stepped across to the Northern Light Presbyterian Church but they were evidently not having a service. Maybe they were afraid of getting ahead of God so they had let down a bit to let Him catch up. Sounds strange to us, but we have heard such things taught!

Some people stand by the cross in Juneau for which we are glad! John 19:25. Some people "stay by the stuff"! Doxology!

III

HOW THE STATE MUSIC SECRETARY CAN HELP TO PROMOTE CHURCH MUSIC

1. By careful study of the church music needs throughout the state including every association. He should use his own association as a laboratory in which to try out plans and gain practical experience in effective church music.
2. By planning with the general mission secretary, the Sunday school secretary, the Training Union secretary for the promotion of this work, which should include conferences on church music in all enlargement campaigns, training schools, monthly associational meetings, conventions, assemblies, evangelistic conferences, and other meetings where church music should be stressed.
3. By selecting a qualified leader (without salary) in church music with the very best pianist available in every association to lead music for the monthly meetings and to encourage the promotion of association-wide and local training schools in church music.
4. The state church music secretary can encourage the associations and local churches to set aside one week in each year for a school of church music where the book LET US SING or other satisfactory books may be taught to all church workers.
5. By promoting ten-day "singing schools" during the summer months and night schools in the smaller towns throughout the year where a cheap and unworthy type of music has been magnified. These schools should be taught without financial charge to anyone who might attend, and for the benefit of local Baptist churches and not for the benefit of "all-day singings" and singing conventions. The rudiments of music, sight reading, conducting and hymn appreciation should be taught.
6. By encouraging the churches to organize choir groups which should include Juniors, Intermediates, Young People and Adults.
7. By promoting an annual state-wide Church Music Contest for different age groups including Juniors, Intermediates, Young People and Adults. This contest might be connected with the annual state Training Union convention, Sunday school convention, or the state assembly.
8. By upholding the right kind of music, helping the associations and local churches to raise the standard of church music by keeping good heart music before the people.
9. By magnifying soulful, militant, enthusiastic congregational singing.
10. By promoting good hymnals, song books, choir materials and free literature on church music.
11. By being on the lookout for capable music leaders, pianists, and organists over the state and try to develop them by encouragement and helps.
12. By utilizing the state denominational paper as a medium through which to keep music articles, news, suggestions, goals, progress, and requests before music leaders and others.—B. B. McKinney.

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Resolutions Concerning Christian Education

Whereas we believe that Baptists have a distinct message and a distinct service for the world, and, whereas we believe that our denominational schools must play an important role in the meeting of these obligations by preparing suitable leadership for the homes, society and the churches,

Therefore be it resolved:

First, that we urge our pastors to preach more often on Christian education; that they study the merits of our Baptist schools and use their personal influence to induce a larger number of parents and young people to patronize these schools.

Second, that we petition the Executive Committee of the Convention Board, in its capacity as the Education Commission, to confer among themselves and with the trustees of Woman's College

looking toward the reopening of this institution and that they also confer with those in authority in all our schools concerning methods for the coordination and correlation of all our educational efforts, looking toward the stabilization, enlargement and expansion of our whole Christian education program.

Third, that these resolutions be spread on our minutes, a copy be sent to Brother D. A. McCall as Executive Secretary and a copy to The Baptist Record for publication.

Adopted by the South-East Mississippi Baptist Pastors Conference in session this the 21st day of May, 1945.

John I. Hill, President,

P. F. Herring, Secretary.

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Dr. Paul G. Horner is moving from Louisville, Kentucky, to Meridian to become pastor of Fifteenth Avenue Baptist Church on June 6. He will preach his first sermon on June 10.

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THE LIBERTY FOR WHICH WE FIGHT?

There are probably Mississippi churches that do likewise, but we want to commend the way they ordain deacons at Sturgis, Kentucky, Rev. C. L. Nicely, pastor. Recently there were three men ordained as deacons and their examination covered the following points:

Their conversion and Christian experience; the true God including the Trinity; God the Creator of all things; the Bible, as to its revelation from God to man, etc.; the fall of man and depravity, etc.; Jesus Christ, the God-Man, born of the Virgin Mary, the Son of God, died on the cross, was buried and His resurrection, etc.; individual responsibility to God, etc.; regeneration; love the motive of Christian service, etc.; a New Testament church and its government; scriptural baptism and the Memorial Supper.

FATHER'S DAY

A Christian gentleman who recently lost his father said, "I did have a great Dad; I wish you could have known him." A daughter said of her father, "He left his children an example of character and service that we shall have trouble living up to."

These words could not have been spoken about these fathers had they not lived in such a manner that the children not only loved, but also respected and admired them.

Only in recent years has a day been set aside for the observance of Father's Day. Too often fathers are taken for granted. They have left home each day to earn a livelihood for the family that there shall be food for the table, comfortable furnishings for the home, money for the education of sons and daughters as they finish high school and many luxuries which

they themselves were denied in youth.

From the earliest requests of children for money, when quite young, until the desires became larger and called for real sacrifice, it has been the pleasure of fathers to try to grant some luxuries to their families, along with the necessities of food, clothing, shelter, doctors' bills, and school.

Christian fathers along with Christian mothers have made for Christian homes. A spirit of oneness, as they have counselled together for the best for their children, has helped to instill Christian character. A life filled with examples of integrity, fair-dealing and not only justice, but sympathetic understanding to the less favored in life, have meant more than words.

Too often we magnify mother-love and forget that the love of a father can be just as deep, and is akin to the great Father-heart of God. Fathers have often been both father and mother to their children, as the mother has slipped away and left little ones to rear. They have made personal sacrifices and put aside selfish desires in order that the children should have equal opportunities to prepare them for life. Homes have been kept intact and families held together by the sacrifices of fathers and dads.

We find an understanding of personal problems, if we learn to share them with our fathers. They have not only level heads and years of experience from which to draw, but they also have the best interests of their children at heart. While in the formative years we may think parents, particularly fathers, are harsh in their judgments and advice, but with maturity comes the realization that back of sternness was a keen desire that harm should not befall one of his, and also the ambition that we should always be proud of our name. This was not false pride, for the wisest of men said, "A good name is rather to be chosen than great riches."

On this Father's Day let us thank our heavenly Father for the gift of an earthly father. Let us also say "Thank You" in word or deed to him who has loved us through the years and will continue to love us as long as life shall last.

MORE PAPER DENIED

Replying to a request made on May 24 by The Baptist Record for more paper, the War Production Board on May 28 used but few words to say an emphatic "No."

On May 24 Editor A. L. Goodrich in a letter to the WPB set forth several worthwhile reasons why The Baptist Record should be allowed a 20% increase in the amount of paper allotted. In con-

trast to other replies, the WPB replied promptly without much reason, but the reply was negative.

In pleading for an increase in the paper supply Editor Goodrich emphasized the fact that Baptists in Mississippi and throughout the Southern Baptist Convention had promptly cancelled many state and southwide conventions when requested to do so by government authorities. As a result of cancelling these conventions many new subscriptions had been received. It was also pointed out that many other denominations were permitted to hold their conventions because their denominational set up was different from Baptists. The WPB was also reminded that since the state and southwide conventions had been cancelled, The Baptist Record was the major means for propagating the state work of Baptists.

The letter to the War Production Board and the reply to that letter follow:

May 24, 1945

War Production Board
Washington, D. C.
Attention, Mr. Hanson
Dear Mr. Hanson:

We are hereby making application in behalf of The Baptist Record for two tons of newsprint per quarter in addition to our present allotment of 31 tons for the same period.

The Baptist Record is the weekly newspaper and official organ of Mississippi Baptists.

We base our application on the fact that our Mississippi State Conventions, four of them, and our Southern Baptist Convention have been cancelled.

Our only way of reaching our constituency is by our Conventions and The Baptist Record.

When the ban on conventions was announced we promptly cancelled our four state conventions scheduled for Mississippi and the Southern Baptist Convention.

The Baptist Record then became our only source of reaching large numbers of our people and promoting our denominational work.

Mississippi Baptists without conventions realized their dependence upon their weekly paper and consequently our circulation which was 47,508 on January first, 1945, has grown to 51,002 as of today.

Unlike some other denominations, Baptists cannot give ecclesiastical orders through the clergy or any other group.

We feel that Mississippi Baptists have shown a spirit of cooperation.

The granting of this request will mean much to the work of Mississippi Baptists.

And regardless of denomination our country will be better with all denominational work prospering.

Only recently we carried a news item stating that the War Committee on Conventions had granted permits for 31 church legislative conferences. Others have since been granted. Although Baptists are probably the largest non-Catholic denomination in the country, yet because our convention is a non-legislative body we are not permitted to hold our conventions. Thus the need for a larger circulation of our paper becomes more imperative.

In view of these facts we feel that our request for two tons of additional newsprint per quarter is not unreasonable.

Sincerely yours,

A. L. GOODRICH,
Editor.

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The Answer is "No"

Mr. A. L. Goodrich
The Baptist Record
Jackson, 105, Mississippi
Dear Mr. Goodrich:

This will reply to your request of May 24 for relief from the provisions of L-240.

You will note in Paragraph M of the enclosed copy of L-240 the manner in which the quarterly consumption quota of The Baptist Record shall be calculated.

We regret that it is necessary to deny your request to consume more print paper than is permitted under Paragraph M of D-240.

Very truly yours,

J. JOSEPH WHALEN,
—BR—

CHANGES AMONG THE CHURCHES By Rev. Leon V. Young, Clinton, Miss.

Called and Accepted

Morris Ford, First, Longview, Texas.
A. H. Manes, Universal church, Houston, Texas.
John D. Brown, South Antonio, Texas, from Baton Rouge, La.
R. H. Harvey, Central, Pampa, Texas, from Magnolia Park, Houston.
John W. Tripp, Rocky Ford, West Plains Association.
E. P. Wooten, Whitewright, Texas.
Wade H. Bryant, First, Roanoke, Va. from University church, Baltimore, Md.
L. A. Parker, Onancock, Va., from Berryville.
Carlton S. Prickett, Woodlawn, Birmingham, Ala., from Richmond, Va.
A. B. Archer, Willford, S. C., from Laverne, Ala.
C. W. Warren, Walnut Street, Carbon-dale, Illinois.
James H. Stanley, Rowlett, Texas.
Rex B. Duckett, Central Street, Petersburg, Fla.
Carl J. Giers, Hunter Street, Birmingham, Ala., from First, Union, S. C.
Winston Borum, Shreveport, La.
W. J. Nance, Arkoma, Okla.
Jesse F. Hunt, Erick, Okla., from Greenwood, Texas.
Len Franklin Stevens, Arlington, Va., from Kendall.
J. H. Ivey, Second, Richmond, Va., from St. Joseph, Mo.
W. D. Salyers, Woodstock Park, Jacksonville, Fla.
H. T. Pendley, Lawn, Texas, from Bethel.
J. T. Howard, Harrisburg, Texas.
J. T. Deloach, Texas Avenue, Houston, Texas, from Harrisburg, Texas.
Herman Coe, Jasper, Texas.
J. P. Montgomery, Calvary, Newton, Texas.
A. L. Gatewood, city missionary, New Orleans, La.
Z. T. Young, Carrollton, La.
E. L. Averett, Calvary, Monroe, La.
A. F. Crittenden, executive secretary, Southern Baptists of California, from Ponca City, Okla.
Harvie L. Brewington, Lomita, Calif.
Ray Redburn, Kelly Memorial, Shreveport, La., from Dayville.
Lester White, Hebert, La., from Rayne.
J. Macon Oswalt, Blanchard, La.
I. M. Kibbe, Mildred Crowe Memorial, Shreveport, La.

Resigned

C. E. Almand, Eau Galle, Fla.
W. W. Nesbit, Unity, Houston, Texas, to chaplaincy.

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Fifteenth Avenue church, Meridian recently added 65 names to their EVERY FAMILY list. And they are without a pastor!

The week of June 18-22 will be observed as Music Emphasis Week in the First Baptist Church, New Orleans. Dr. John Finley Williamson, choral director of Westminster Choir College, will lead in this special week. There will be classes in methods, conducting, and a clinic choir composed of high school and college students. All choir directors and organists are urged to participate in the school under Dr. Williamson's direction.—Edmond D. Keith, minister of music.

Pastor J. W. Sturdivant reports that in a recent revival at Merigold there were 24 additions to the church. Rev. A. B. Pierce did the preaching and Donald McCollum of Pineville, La., led the singing. The meeting blessed the church and interest continues to grow.

Leaders for the student religious activities organization of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, for the next session are: E. L. Copeland, Mt. Nebo, W. Va., general chairman; Charles Allen, Brevard, N. C., teaching chairman; Bob Lasater, Durham, N. C., institutional chairman; Bernard LeSueur, Dillwyn, Va., hospital chairman; Joe Conley, College Park, Ga., Negro work chairman; George Hays, Kahoka, Mo., missionary chairman; and Vernon Elmore, Cabool, Mo., pastoral group chairman.

Recently awarded the Bronze Star for conspicuous duty in action were the following graduates of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, who are now military chaplains: Thomas J. Eastes, Thomas DeHart, Vernon C. Taylor, and Joseph J. Bowman.

Beall Resigns Home Board Position

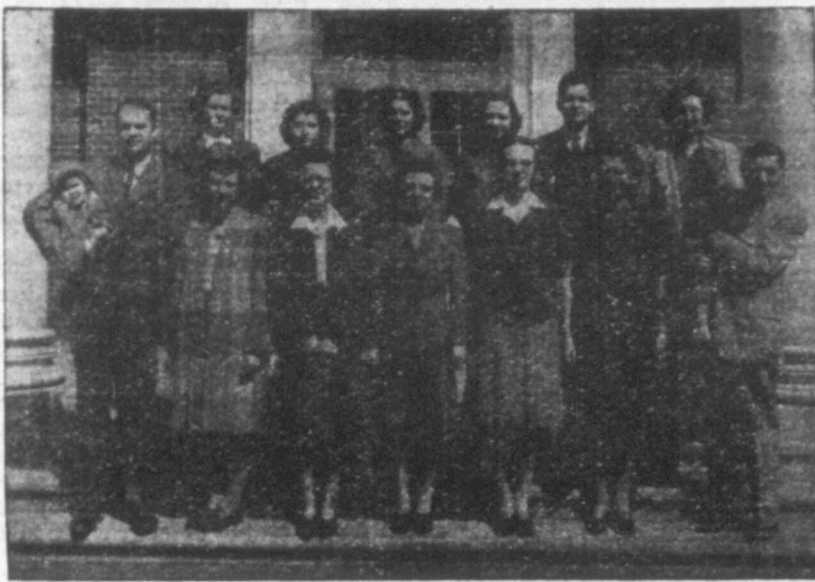


DR. NOBLE Y. BELL

The resignation of Dr. Noble Y. Beall as field secretary of the Baptist Home Mission Board, effective September 1, has been announced by Dr. J. B. Lawrence, executive secretary-treasurer.

Dr. Beall has accepted the position of professor and head of the department of religion of John B. Stetson University, DeLand, Florida, Dr. Lawrence stated.

A native of Alabama, Dr. Beall came to the Home Mission Board ten years ago from a pastorate in Gadsden. He studied at Howard College in Birmingham and at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville. He has also studied in Columbia Seminary and Emory University while employed by the Board.



The number of foreign missionary appointees from the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary and the Woman's Missionary Training School, Louisville, for the school year just closed totaled 22, the largest in the history of these institutions. Appointees pictured here, left to right, are:

Front row: Mr. and Mrs. Tucker Noyes Callaway, Atlanta, Ga., Hawaii; Miss Sara Taylor, Columbia, S. C., Latin America; Miss Mary Hastings Sampson, Louisville, Ky., China; Miss Emily Crea Ridenour, Caryville, Tenn., Latin America; and Mr. and Mrs. John Sidney McGee, Coral Ridge, Ky., Nigeria.

Second row: Miss Minnie Lou Lanier, Savannah, Ga., Brazil; Miss Rebecca Violet Long, Conway, S. C., Palestine; Miss Anna Frances Todd, Richmond, Ky., Colombia; Mr. and Mrs. Coleman Daniel Clarke, Atlanta, Ga., Hawaii; and Miss Hazel Rene Smith, Siloam Springs, Ark., Latin America.

Absent when the picture was made were: Mr. and Mrs. Adrian Blankenship, Winnsboro, La., Brazil; Mr. and Mrs. Burton de Wolfe Davis, Louisville, Ky., Brazil; Edward Davis Galloway, Iron City, Ga., China; Dr. and Mrs. Raymond Kolb, Blue Springs, Miss., Brazil; and Dr. and Mrs. David Mein, Louisville, Ky., Brazil.

CARTERVILLE HONORS LT. ROBERTS

Rev. Garland McInnis, Pastor
Memorial services for 2nd Lt. Clifton R. Roberts, aged 25, were held Friday night, May 11, at Carterville church, Lebanon Association. Lt. Roberts was killed in action in Germany on April 6, 1945. He was the youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Roberts of the Carterville community near Hattiesburg. Enlisting in the air corps in 1942 he was later transferred to the infantry and went overseas in January 1945. After two years at Clarke Memorial College he was graduated from Mississippi Southern College in 1942.

A brother of Lt. Roberts is in the navy, stationed at Norfolk, Va.

BAY ST. LOUIS RESOLUTIONS

WHEREAS, Bro. W. S. Allen has tendered his resignation as pastor of this church, effective May 31, 1945, and it has been accepted; and

WHEREAS, he has served this church faithfully, efficiently, and sacrificially through some very trying times, and is leaving the work when it is beginning to show the fruits of his faithful labors.

Therefore, be it resolved that this church extend to Bro. Allen our sincere appreciation and thanks for the faithful work he has done on this field, and our wishes and prayers for God's richest blessings on him and his family in his new field of labor and wherever the Lord may lead him.

Be it further resolved, that this resolution be spread on the minutes of this church, and a copy forwarded to Bro. Allen, and a copy sent to The Baptist Record.

W. W. Stockstill,
A. P. Smith, M.D.,
Mrs. R. D. Robbins,
May H. Edwards,
Committee.

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"Personal Crisis" by Carl Heath Kopf, pastor of Mt. Vernon church, Boston, is published by the MacMillan Company, New York, and sells for \$2. This book faces the stark reality of the personal crises which result from the public crisis of our present time. The deeper the public crisis, the deeper the personal crisis. When the

May 27 was a red-letter day for Latonia church, Covington, Kentucky. Under the leadership of Pastor John E. Huss there have been 996 new members during his pastorate of four years and two months. The 1,000 mark was passed with the reception of 18 new members on May 27. The membership in 1941 when the pastor came was 982. The secret of the evangelistic victories can be attributed to the Hour of Power, America's largest mid-week prayer service.

The Youth Revival conducted at First church, Danville, Kentucky, by David Byrd and Joe Alman resulted in nine professions of faith and eight additions by letter. Two young ladies indicated their desire to serve on foreign fields. We believe our goal of 500 in attendance at Sunday school is in sight as a result of these meetings. There were 416 present on May 27—Wayne Todd, pastor. (Editor's note: The Reverends Todd, Byrd and Alman are Mississippians.)

The following Baptist churches in Cincinnati: Norwood, Lockland, Latonia and Calvary and a group of Christian business men, and several other denominations sponsored a revival in which Evangelist Hyman Appelmann did the preaching and J. Stratton Shufelt conducted the song services. There were 400 conversions and scores of additions by letter.

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Rev. R. W. Porter, who goes to Collierville, Tenn., June 15, writes that the last thing he succeeded in doing at Lambert was to lead that church to go to full-time.

World is split apart by war, individual lives are split asunder by crisis after crisis. So the author takes up each crisis, from the cradle to the grave, and gives constructive answers as to how each crisis may be a victory instead of a defeat. Each chapter is prefaced by a Bible passage which portrays the particular crisis concerned, thus giving a background for the modern treatment of themes which are as old as human nature. Order from the publisher or from the Baptist Book Store.

Vicksburg V-E Day Service Features Service Parents

The V-E Day service at First church, Vicksburg, Dr. D. Swan Haworth, pastor, was featured by talks by a deacon, who has lost a son in the war; the chairman of the Board of Deacons, who has two sons in the service, one in Europe and one in the South Pacific; and a fine woman, Mrs. M. J. Gallagher, whose husband is in Burma.

Concerning the address of Mrs. Gallagher, Pastor Haworth writes, "It occurred to me that some synopsis of the message might be helpful to others and I am therefore condensing it into a few paragraphs." The address follows:

"This is a never to be forgotten day in all our lives for God has given us the victory over half our foes. I think this should be a day of testimony for God as well as a day of thanksgiving. When war was first declared on Germany and Japan, I, like a lot of us, did not realize the real impact of it until it was brought home to me. I was smug in my feeling that my son was too young to go and my husband would more than likely be too old before he was called, but soon this smugness was blasted out of me. My son became enthusiastic about enlisting in the army. He was fired with patriotism and just knew that the war could not be won unless he enlisted. My husband and I tried to reason with him to wait his turn, but he was so sincere, I could not refuse him. To sign the papers that sent my only son off to war was one of the hardest things I ever did in my life. Before a year had passed he called me over long distance to tell me good-bye. He was being shipped over. Very shortly after that my husband was drafted. I did not know what to do. We prayed and talked about it and decided that with the Lord's help, I would try to carry on the business here at home. These have been long, lonely months, but I have found that I was blessed with friends. The Lord has told us that He would not forsake us and I have found Him true to His promise. Many times He has spoken to me through His holy word—'Peace be unto you,' 'Be still and know that I am God.' I am thankful that both my husband and my son are Christians. This is a great comfort to me and I know that God has been with them. The European war is now over and my son Joe will soon be coming home. It has been 33 months since I last saw him. Let us work and pray toward the day of complete peace. Such prayers will hasten the day when I shall have Mike home again, and all of you will have your loved ones home and we can sing anew, 'Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless His Holy Name.'"

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YOUTH REVIVAL FEATURES VENTRILOQUIST MINISTER

Russellville, Ark.—(RNS)—A ventriloquist minister who uses his "Sammy" as skillfully in a spiritual way as Edgar Bergen manipulates "Charles McCarthy" for entertainment has concluded a youth revival in Russellville with 349 high school and college students making professions of faith.

He is Dr. W. W. Enete, for 21 years a Southern Baptist missionary to Brazil. He states that "Sammy" was especially effective in winning South American youth to interest in the church.

During his six days in Russellville, Dr. Enete and Sammy spoke to 2200 students in 11 schools.

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Sledge: Rev. J. R. Reedy, Eupora, will lead our revival June 25-29.—Reporter.

Woman's Missionary Union

President—Mrs. Webb Brame, Yazoo City Exec. Sec'y—Miss Edwina Robinson

The Thirty-Eighth Commencement of the Woman's Missionary Union Training School

On the evening of May 3, 1945, as the Training school clock chimed eight-thirty, the academic procession led by Dr. Carrie U. Littlejohn and Dr. Anna Canada Swain entered the Fannie E. S. Heck Memorial Chapel. We were to learn that not only was Mrs. Swain a gracious lady, and an able leader, but an inspiring commencement speaker.

Dr. Anna Canada Swain (Mrs. Leslie E.) of Craighill, Mass., is the president of the Northern Baptist Convention. One does not have to be with her long to realize why the denomination chose her to their highest office. A position only one other woman has ever held.

The words of her commencement subject "Our fears, our hopes, our aims, are one" were made to take on new and deeper meaning as she spoke from a wealth of experience. "The tie which binds all of us who love God and His Son our Saviour has always seemed very real to me," said Dr. Swain, "even when I was very young. But in Madras, India, in 1938, it took on new meaning as the representatives of over sixty nations, many of which nations were at war with each other, sat down to discuss the future of the Christian movement. . . . Constantly, like a haunting refrain some words kept returning to me. 'Our fears, our hopes, our aims are one.' We who love the Lord are all one in fears, in hopes, and in aims. . . . One of the worst aftermaths of the last war was the sense of frustration and cynicism which came as its inevitable aftermath. It is going to be one of the big problems following this one, especially if we cannot find some way in which we can unite to build a better world. . . . But while we are one in our fears—and they are many—the thoughtful man must know that we are also one in our hopes and aims. . . . We are united by our knowledge of the world and its peoples. . . . We are united by a heroism of common people which is most challenging. . . . We are united by a Christ who has humble followers all over the world. . . . As we feel ourselves united by a Christ, we realize that we are united by a common need."

Dr. Carrie U. Littlejohn, principal of the Training school, continued in the spirit of the address as she brought the charge to the graduates. "Perhaps the most beloved chaplain of World War I was Studdert-Kennedy," said Dr. Littlejohn. "Toward the end of his life at the age of forty-six years he said the most searching question he expected to face at Judgment Day would be: 'What did you make of it?' . . . Among the young women of the world today you are the most fortunate. Thirty-seven other classes have marched before you, ranging in number from three in the first class in 1908 to fifty-nine in the class of 1923. Numbers alone do not count, however, but rather, character, courage, unselfish service, willingness to sacrifice. . . . As you finish this brief chapter, I feel constrained to ask you, 'What did you make of it?' Only you and time and God can answer. . . . If a new world emerges that can justify the sacrifices of this black Friday

in the world's history it must be built on moral and spiritual foundations in individual lives and group relationships. That is the field that you have chosen. . . . If you and I become as sensitive to human suffering and to the urgency of God's demands upon us as Studdert-Kennedy was, then like him we will be forced to live our lives and do our work in the light of that searching question that haunted him, 'What did you make of it?'"

One by one the graduates, representing fourteen different states, came to the platform. The first eleven received certificates. Then came the nine receiving the degree of Bachelor of Religious Education and the last forty-six graduates, representing thirty-one different colleges, receiving the degree of Master of Religious Education. The graduating class and Dr. Littlejohn remained standing in position on the platform and at the front of the chapel as the Training School Chorus sang the chant, "He Shall Give His Angels Charge Over Thee."

At noon on Commencement Day the junior class assisted in preparing the senior luncheon. At Dr. Littlejohn's table were Dr. and Mrs. Ellis Fuller (Dr. Fuller delivered the Seminary commencement address), Dr. Duke McCall, the Seminary Missionary Day speaker, Dr. and Mrs. James Middleton (Dr. Middleton preached the Seminary baccalaureate sermon), Dr. Anna Canada Swain and Mrs. Bill V. Carden, the vesper speaker.

"If you have gone a little way Ahead of me, call back; 'Twill cheer my heart, and help my feet, Along the unknown track."

"It is in this spirit that I come to you," said Mrs. Bill V. Carden as she began her address on "Patterns," at the Training School Vesper Service, May 2. Mrs. Carden (Susan Adams, '36), is president of the World-wide Training School Alumnae and W. M. U. Young People's secretary of Oklahoma.

"See that you make everything on the pattern shown you upon the mountain," (Hebrews 8:5, Moffatt) was the scripture chosen by Mrs. Carden. "There are four patterns which I received from this school. The first came from the students. . . . The second pattern was made by the faculty. . . . The third pattern was made by the things I studied. . . . But all of these patterns are eclipsed by another, for I found God here. I had known Him as Saviour and as Master, but not known Him. . . . When you leave the Training school you carry these patterns with you. If you use them, then one day you will be like Him. . . . As you go out to paths of usefulness see to it that you make everything on the pattern shown you upon the mountain."

With these challenging words ringing in their hearts the sixty-six seniors dressed in white, marched on the platform forming a big M with the large purple and gold silk Service Flag of the Training school as a background. Quietly the juniors took their places, one beside each senior. At the proper time, upon each junior was placed a garland, thus signifying the

MRS. LOLLIE LOVE MADISON

Whereas on March 9, 1945, the spirit of Mrs. Lollie Love Madison, our beloved co-worker, returned to the Giver of life, and

Whereas, Mrs. Madison was a faithful member of the Brooksville Baptist Church and for years one of its untiring workers, and

Whereas, her unflinching courage, her unfaltering trust in God, her love for His Word sustained her and was an abiding inspiration to those who knew her; therefore be it resolved:

First, that we bow humbly to the providence of God, thankful for her life.

Second, that we, realizing the proof that "The word of the Lord shall stand forever" as manifested by her, follow her example of engraving in our hearts His blessed word.

Third, that we extend our heartfelt sympathy to her loved ones and pray they may feel the heavenly Father's compassion and look to Him for comfort.

"Think—
Of stepping on shore and finding it heaven,
Of taking hold of a hand and finding it God's hand,
Of breathing new air and finding it celestial air,
Of feeling invigorated and finding immortality,
Of passing from storm and tempest into unbroken calm,
Of waking up and finding it home."

Fourth, that a copy of these resolutions be given to her church, and to her loved ones.

Respectfully submitted,
MRS. C. S. WILKINS,
MRS. J. P. STILES,
MRS. J. J. MADISON,
Committee.

From the Louisiana Baptist Message we learn that Dr. T. J. Delaughter has resigned the Maplewood church near Westlake to accept the call of the church at Bunkie, effective June 1. (Editor's note: Dr. Delaughter was formerly pastor at Woodville.)

conferring of senior responsibilities by these who had just a few minutes before been inducted into the Alumnae Society by Miss Helen Falls, vice president of the local chapter.

Thus with May 1945 sixty-six graduates began a new chapter in their life as Alumnae of the Woman's Missionary Union Training School. Included in the group was Ethel Pettit Robbins (Mrs. R. Frank) from Mississippi who received the certificate.

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Sunday School Department

E. C. WILLIAMS, Secretary W. R. ROBERTS, Associate
MISS CAROLYN MADISON, Elementary Secretary

May Standards

The following units became standard during the month of May and we express hearty congratulations and sincere thanks to the leaders of these schools, departments and classes on the attainment of this very worthy and challenging program of better Sunday school work.

Schools: Philadelphia, Dr. W. L. Johnson, pastor, W. W. Jones, superintendent; Handsboro, Rev. W. T. Miller, pastor, S. A. Baker, superintendent.

Departments: Intermediate, Picayune First, Mrs. Elere Gillis, superintendent; Young People, Cleveland, Mrs. Charles Treadway, superintendent; Adult, Philadelphia, Mrs. V. C. Moss, Superintendent.

Classes: Intermediate, Buddies, Hattiesburg, Fifth Avenue, J. D. Headrick, teacher; 14 Year Girls, Picayune First, Mrs. Nina T. Smith, teacher; Girls, Pine Grove, Mrs. Jesse W. Megehee, teacher; 16 Year Boys, Hattiesburg Fifth Avenue, Clovile Strahan, teacher; True Blue Girls, Philadelphia, Mrs. W. G. Yates, teacher.

Young People: Eagles, Cleveland, Charles Treadway, teacher; Victory, Cleveland, Mrs. J. C. Davis, teacher; Golden Rule, Cleveland, Mrs. T. M. Bennett, teacher; Faithful Co-Eds, Cleveland, Mrs. D. R. Brown, teacher; Forward March, Philadelphia, Mrs. A. B. McCraw, teacher.

His Followers, Junior B, Hattiesburg First, Mrs. H. W. Myers, teacher; Loyal Soldiers, Junior, Philadelphia, Miss Freeda McCullough, teacher.

A Good Start

A good start has certainly been made in reporting Vacation Bible schools held thus far this year. Let's keep up the good work. It is most surprising the effort that is put forth each year in trying to get a report of each school held in the state. Let the one in charge of the school be sure to see that two copies of the report are sent to us: one copy for the state office and one copy for the Nashville office. Be sure to report the school just as soon as it closes while all the facts and figures are familiar.

Orderly Confusion

A few weeks ago we had opportunity to observe a May Day program. We enjoyed it very much because of all the color, setting, skill, etc.

However, when the time arrived for winding the ribbons around the May pole, a large number of beautifully-dressed young ladies advanced to the Pole, carefully removed the ribbons and began the process of winding them in perfect fashion around the Pole, some going in one direction and some in the very opposite direction.

As we sat there and watched that performance, it seemed that with all those ribbons, each several feet long, and with some girls going one way and some the other, that nothing could possibly result but confusion. But to our amazement when they had finished it was all perfectly and beautifully done.

When we saw the final result, we said to ourselves, "That's orderly confusion."

And strange to say, it reminded us of the Six Point Record System. That is, it reminded us of that fine Record

System as we see it from two entirely different angles of operation. So frequently someone says to us that the Six Point Record System can't be worked; it's too cumbersome and takes up entirely too much time on Sunday morning.

We hear that strain of it so much that we are on the verge of believing it when we see the other angle in some school that uses it throughout with an almost uncanny skill and efficiency, praising it for its worthwhileness, and exclaiming its virtues to the skies.

What makes the difference? It's the very same system in either case, or is it? The thing that is a never-ending round of confusion in one place is the very same thing that is a smooth-working, time-saving, orderly procedure of record getting in another place. Is the difference in the system itself? Well, you answer.

If the same number of young ladies had gone to wind the May Pole without any previous training and instruction in doing it, the whole thing would have been nothing but confusion. But when they went after the time of training and practice, there was no confusion at all, but order, skill, efficiency.

Yes, the thing that is confusion to some is order to others.

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Evangelistic Preparation

If your church has not yet had a course in one of the soul-winning books this year, you should do so by all means just as early as possible. A great many have already done this and thereby greatly aided their soul-winning program of the year with a good foundation in a study of this kind.

Mr. Barnette's new book, **THE PLACE OF THE SUNDAY SCHOOL IN EVANGELISM**, is most appropriate for such a study. Many churches have already used it and many others will. It will be well in planning your course of study in some soul-winning books to use this one and thereby join hands and hearts with hundreds of other churches in a study of the same great things in helping our people to win the lost to Christ this year. Our Sunday schools can make a mighty big contribution toward the total goal of Southern Baptists for this our Centennial year. We sincerely trust that every school shall find the lost people and then work diligently to reach them for Christ.

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Pictured at left are the students who were recently appointed by the Foreign Mission Board. Their names and countries to which they will go are (left to right): Miss Bertie Lee Kendrick, N. C., Hawaii; Mrs. Ralph West, S. C., and

Ralph West, S. C., Nigeria, Africa; Miss Rebecca Eddinger, N. C., South America; Miss Carree Speares, S. C., Colombia, South America, will be secretary to Rev. H. W. Schweinsberg, and will be supported by a church in Houston, Texas.

Baptists Petition For Better Books

Nashville, Tenn.—A petition for better books has been forwarded by managers of 25 Southern Baptist book stores to the nation's book publishers.

The petition recognized that books wield "a mighty and lasting influence" which affect "the future of our nation," and reminded the publishers "you have at your discretion the choosing of new manuscripts which will have a part in influencing the future of our young men and women whose lives have been so upset by war and its accompanying evils."

The book store managers then petitioned: "to use all of your possible materials and workmanship in the interest of better books; that we may be spared the trite, the vulgar, and the profanity so frequently occurring in current books; that the moral and literary standards by which new books are chosen shall be higher than ever before in the history of book publishing."

"We petition further that you publish only such books as have worthy motives and survival value for the building of a better world."

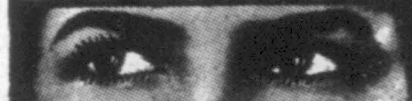
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Dr. G. O. Parker of Magee assisted Pastor C. S. Thomas in the revival at Daniel church, Hinds county. The evangelist brought dynamic and scriptural messages. There were eight additions by baptism and two by letter. In the last service an army captain made a profession of faith.

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Brotherhood Department
J. H. Street, Secretary

Permit a personal word from the one who will seek to serve in the capacity of Brotherhood secretary. It is a great privilege and a great responsibility to try to lead in the Brotherhood program in Mississippi. I earnestly request the prayers, counsel, support, and cooperation of the other denominational workers, pastors and churches in our Baptist ranks in the state. I am keenly aware that only as God shall lead and strengthen and as the brethren shall cooperate, will the department and the program be successful.

My time since June 1 has been spent in advising with the most competent authorities available on the subject of Brotherhood work in general and promotional methods in particular. It has been a joy to visit some days with L. H. Cooke, general secretary of the Baptist Brotherhood of the South, Memphis, and with the able associate secretary, Hugh F. Latimer. In addition I have been privileged to touch first hand the programs in Tennessee and Texas.

The Brotherhood office will be in Baptist Headquarters. It will be a great delight to see and to serve the Baptist people of the state in the office and in the field.

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Anonymous Letters Are Cowardly

F. V. McFatridge, Coldwater

I am one of those who has been receiving a series of anonymous letters, presumably by an illiterate "hill billy" living at some place called Puckett, Miss., which I fail to find on any map. The Jackson postmark, and the neatly typed address deceived me into carrying home mail that otherwise could be consigned, unopened, to the waste paper drive. The reason I would not open the letters is that I have an aversion to anonymous letters and no respect for the writer of anonymous letters. There is never, in a democracy, an excuse for a good man who is supporting a worthy cause to hide behind the cloak of anonymity.

To begin with, a man who would be afraid or ashamed to face the consequences of his charges against another man, and seeks to conceal his identity, would be liable to pervert the truth in other ways. Anonymous letters are cowardly. The writer says things he is unwilling to back up; seeks to wound without being willing to face the consequences; speaks a falsehood or half-truth without compunction, and insults a brave man without fear. It has been a practice of mine to ignore all anonymous letters. Vitt F. Brick, or his sponsors, can save six cents on each issue (as I get two copies, with my name spelled differently) by taking my name off his mailing list.

If there are things that need the attention of Baptists in connection with the institution involved, I will wait until some brother with the best interests of Mississippi Baptists at heart has enough courage to speak out under his own signature concerning the matter. I suppose Vitt will charge that I have made no attempt to answer the assertions he has made.

Friends Are Contributing To MSCW Student Center Building



Proposed M. S. C. W. Student Center Building

Friends of Baptist students, and of the work sponsored at Mississippi State College for Women by the Baptist Student Union, continue to make contributions to the fund for the proposed Baptist Student Center building to be erected near the campus. This they are doing without pressure of any kind, or personal solicitation from any one, which shows conclusively that our Baptist people over the state must believe in what is being done for the Baptist students who attend this great college.

Usually about one-third of the entire student body at M. S. C. W. are Baptists. This year we have enrolled about 300 Baptist students. The graduating class of this year numbers slightly above 200, of whom 63 are Baptists.

During the 21 years of B. S. U. work on M. S. C. W. campus we have had strong leaders as our student secretaries—well educated, able, consecrated, and thoroughly loyal as Baptists. Thousands of Baptist students, under their fine spiritual influence,

have gone out with splendid training to continue as active Christians in the communities and churches where they live.

From our B. S. U. many have gone to our W. M. U. Training school, six have gone to service as student secretaries in as many great colleges in the South and into other definite Christian service. Miss Mary Nance Daniel did a marvelous work as South-wide student secretary, and Miss Susan Daniel, also a student secretary, discovered and was instrumental in calling out Edgar Hallack, who is now the Baptist Student Union leader for all Baptist students in South America. Untold influences for good have been released through the BSU at MSCW.

The Mississippi Baptist Foundation will be the custodian of all funds contributed to this proposed new building, holding them in trust until sufficient funds are in hand to build and conditions otherwise are propitious. Send contributions to the Mississippi Baptist Foundation, Box 530, Jackson 105, and not to Columbus.

The following have been recent visitors to The Baptist Record office: Rev. A. R. Loftin, Hattiesburg; Rev. C. S. Moulder, Hattiesburg; Rev. R. C. Woodham, Hattiesburg; Rev. Virgil Ratcliff, Hattiesburg; Rev. H. C. Keene, Union; Rev. Kenneth G. Hall, Philadelphia; Miss Pearl Caldwell, Pontotoc; Rev. R. S. Crawford, Van Winkle; Rev. William M. Tabb, Wesson; Dr. D. M. Nelson, Clinton; Dr. Chester E. Swor, Jackson; Rev. L. S. Polk, Jr., Jackson; Rev. Charles Tyler, Ludlow; Prof. C. E. Smith, Meadville; Rev. J. M. Spikes, Isola; Rev. L. J. Crumby, Inverness; Mrs. Jim McElroy, Baldwin; Miss Mary Love McElroy, Baldwin; Rev. T. W. Green, Wesson; Rev. F. H. Miller, Louisville; Rev. Ivyloy Bishop, Birmingham, Alabama; J. T. Gilbert, Bryant Smith, Ernest Currey and Cosimino Giglio, Hollandale; Rev. Martin J. Gilbert, Hollandale.

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The June issue of the BSU magazine carries a full page write-up of a Belhaven College BSU work party. The write-up is illustrated by six pictures of the work party in action.

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... They do not deserve an answer as long as the person making them does not believe sufficiently in the justice of his cause to sign his name.

Summit Has 23 Additions

With Editor Goodrich preaching and the pastor, Rev. S. M. (Happy) White, as director of music, First Baptist Church of Summit held their summer revival June 3-10. Others assisting were Mrs. Shelby Price, pianist, and Mrs. "Happy" White, who played the vibra harp. There were 23 additions.

During the 18 months pastorate of Pastor White, there have been 166 additions, and the church has gone from one-half to full-time. The budget has been increased from \$1,800 to \$10,000; the Training Union enrollment increased from 50 to 170 and the Sunday school attendance on June 10 was more than 200. The Training Union had 177. A modern pastor's home has been bought and paid for and redecorated.

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We had 250 in attendance at the morning service on our first Sunday here and 106 in the Training Union that evening. The prospects here are great and we covet your prayers.—J. S. Deal, Start, La.

BOONEVILLE CHURCH PROTESTS LIQUOR HOLIDAY

WHEREAS, The War Price and Rationing Board of our nation has reported a serious shortage of sugar for distribution to consumers during the current period, 1945, and has signified its inability to meet the emergency by reducing the allowance for family needs and household consumption from 33 1/3% to 80% of the allowance granted in 1944; and,

WHEREAS, We believe the family needs of sugar for food consumption are much more needy and deserving of consideration than the demand of whiskey distillers for sugar manufacture intoxicating liquors; and,

WHEREAS, It now appears that great quantities of much needed sugar are about to be diverted from family use and allocated to whiskey distillers; and,

WHEREAS, We unreservedly and unqualifiedly protest such procedure by our government in these times of sacrifice.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That we oppose and protest any action on the part of our government agencies to divert and allocate sugar or any other needed rationed or unrationed commodity, at least for the duration of the war, and until such time thereafter as our people are allowed to have all that is needed for family consumption, and that a copy of this resolution be furnished President Harry Truman, and our senators and congressmen.

Unanimously adopted this May 27, 1945.

First Baptist Church,
Booneville, Mississippi
By J. D. Thompson,

Pastor,
John M. Curlee, Clerk.

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MISSISSIPPI CALENDAR OF PRAYER

- June 18—Rev. I. E. Rouse, Woman's College Trustee.
- June 19—N. R. McCullough, Mississippi College Trustee.
- June 20—Mrs. M. D. Baine, W. M. U. Associational Superintendent, Holmes County.
- June 21—Mrs. C. Z. Holland, W. M. U. Associational Superintendent, Madison County.
- June 22—J. S. Love, Baptist Hospital Trustee.
- June 23—Rev. H. W. Roberson, Holmes County Convention Board Member.
- June 24—Rev. M. E. Perry, Greene County Convention Board Member.

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ONLY 10 MINUTES NEEDED

Again we call attention to the fact that it would be very helpful to this office if we had a complete file of association minutes. We list the following who have not sent us the minutes of their association, and we will be grateful for receiving these, since it means much to the office in being able to supply data upon requests from people all over Mississippi. This we cannot do unless we have the information at hand. The association minutes lacking follow: Benton, Itawamba, Liberty, Perry, Tippah, Columbus, Adams-Franklin, George Monroe and Tate.—D. A. McCall.

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Washington, D. C.—(Special)—Two thousand seven hundred Seventh-Day Adventist churches in the U. S. and Canada contributed \$840,000 in cash to the denomination's "million dollar reconstruction offering" in one day, W. E. Nelson, treasurer of the general conference, said here. He added that the goal would probably be reached when pledges are paid. The day's offerings applies on a \$5,000,000 fund the denomination is raising this year to begin restoration of war-destroyed institutions and churches in Europe and the Orient.

Sunday School Lesson

Prepared by Hight C. Moore

Lesson for June 17, 1945

THE CHURCH BEGINS ITS WORK

Luke 24:44-48; Acts

Sunday, March 24, A. D. 30 is thought to have been the day of the resurrection of Jesus. During that day He appeared four times, twice to women (Mary and the other women) and twice to men (Peter and the two on the way to Emmaus); and after nightfall He made His first appearance to the apostolic company, ten being assembled in secret session. The next Sunday evening He appeared again to the apostles, Thomas being present. It was probably two or three weeks later that He appeared to seven apostles by the Sea of Galilee and to five hundred disciples including the eleven apostles on the mountain in Galilee. Thursday, May 3, may have been the day of the Lord's last appearance to the apostles at Jerusalem and of His ascension from the Mount of Olives. Ten days later (Sunday, May 13) in fulfillment of the Lord's promise, the Holy Spirit descended on the day of Pentecost as told in the book of Acts which gives a sketch of the churches for the next forty years under the leadership of Peter among the Jews and of Paul among the Gentiles.

Lesson Text and Outline

- I. Last Appearance of Jesus (Luke 24)
- II. First Persecution of the Church (Acts 4)
- III. Second Persecution of the Church (Acts 5).

Notes Analytical and Expository

1. The commission from the risen Christ was given the apostles during His last appearance to them as a body climaxing in His ascension from the Mount of Olives. Not unlikely Jesus appeared to the little company in the upper room, though possibly at Calvary or Gethsemane. Every movement of Jesus bore the stamp of finality. It was their last interview with Him. And ever afterward their duty was clear to them. (1) The duty to the Word was fundamental. The word of Christ must be received as the word of God. The word about Christ is the very heart of divine revelation, for all the ancient Scriptures pointed forward to His coming, while the sacred writings of the new dispensation are devoted to the story of Christ and to the story of the early Christian churches. The Word in Christ reaches the heights of revelation for "the Word through Christ tells of atonement for sin and resurrection power in glory. The Word from Christ reveals the path that shines more and more unto the perfect day. (2) The duty to witness is inclusive and urgent. The humblest can do it while the highest can do nothing better. There must be witnessing for the deity and atonement of Christ, for the truth of the Bible, for the plan of salvation, for the path of service. The witnessing must be done in the name of Jesus or it will not be for His glory. It must begin at Jerusalem and widen thence unto all the world. (3) The duty to wait was imperative. The disciples needed power that they did not have. That power was promised with the coming of the Holy Spirit. They must wait for the Spirit to come before

they were ready to go. (4) The duty to worship was illustrated in the little group who followed Jesus out of Jerusalem and along the familiar road over the Mount of Olives. As they proceeded He kept opening to them fulfilled Scriptures in Himself and His future program. At length, they reached a point on the mountain over against His beloved Bethany. There He ascended, a cloud receiving Him up into glory. The worshiping disciples were told of His glorious second coming, whereupon they returned with great joy to the city where they continued their worship in the Temple.

2. The consecration of the early Christians was evident in the first persecution featured by overnight detention of Peter and John and legal order that they cease their ministry. The miracle at the Gate Beautiful, the stir of the wondering multitude, and the preaching of Peter on Solomon's porch attracted the Temple authorities. The Sadducees, who rejected the doctrine of resurrection and of spiritual existences, were particularly incensed at Peter for preaching through Jesus the resurrection of the dead. It was at their instance, and, since it was now too late in the day to have the trial, they were imprisoned overnight. It was the first blow which, in the name of the law, had been struck at the infant church. Though some probably wavered under it, it nevertheless turned out for the furtherance of the gospel and the growth of the church. Many who heard the sermon accepted its truth and believed on Christ; in fact, the number of men, who doubtless predominated in the church, was about five thousand.

3. The courage of the early Christians was shown during the second persecution of the apostles featured by the endurance of prison and scourge. Like the first, it originated with the materialistic Sadducees. Under direction of the high priest and his associates, Peter and others were rudely arrested and cast into prison. During the night, however, the prison doors were thrown open by the angel of the Lord who brought forth the apostles and bade them continue their work in the Temple. When the Sanhedrin assembled the next morning and sent to the prison for Peter and his companions, the officers found the doors shut and the keepers on duty but no prisoners within. Upon hearing this report the members of the Sanhedrin were amazed, and the marvel grew when they learned that the disciples were at that moment teaching in the Temple. Without violence the Galileans were now brought before the Sanhedrin. To the charge of the high priest, Peter made his memorable defense. With becoming deference, but calmly and bravely, Peter for himself and associates, declared why they had disobeyed the order of the court. It was simply a question of obedience either to God or to man; and they had not hesitated in the dilemma to obey God. But he went on to say whom they had disobeyed; for directly, though not defiantly, the apostle addressed the Sanhedrin as the murderers of his Master—"Jesus, whom ye slew and hanged on a tree." Then he went on to define more clearly whom they had obeyed: God the Father who raised up the Son from the dead and exalted Him; God the Son who is Prince in His sovereignty and Saviour in service, giving repentance and remission of sins; and God the Holy Spirit who

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND TRAINING UNION ATTENDANCE

June 10, 1945

	SS	BTU
New Albany First	389	166
Vicksburg First	474	120
Friendship (Pike Co.)	151	107
Crystal Springs	393	105
Center (Union Co.)	100	76
Houlka (Chickasaw Co.)	63	42
Duck Hill	100	38
Crowder	128	106
Picayune (Goodyear)	135	42
Taylorville	139	
Brookhaven First	446	92
Laurel First	470	90
Bethlehem (Jones Co.)	101	46
East McComb	316	103
Hepzibah (Jeff Davis Co.)	51	55
Hardy	81	12
Vicksburg Bowmar	280	99
Ackerman	115	25
Summit	175	177
Enon (Panola Co.)	67	65
Wallerville	101	56
Corinth (Tate Street)	192	94
Olive Branch	71	
Cross Roads (Webster Co.)	78	
Rocky Creek (George Co.)	74	41
Ellison Ridge (Winston Co.)	154	109
Wellman (Lincoln Co.)	50	56
Jackson First	988	194
Jackson Calvary	868	207
Corinth (Pearl River Co.)	61	29
Ellistown	136	88
Jackson Griffith Memorial	475	230
Daniel	132	58
June 3		
Darling	54	
Daniel	138	43
Friendship No. 2 (Tallahatchie Co.)	100	62
Center (Union Co.)	102	68

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Repairing Our Religion is an interesting and thought-provoking book by Rev. G. Curtis Jones, pastor of the Washington Christian Church, one of the strongest Disciples Churches in North Carolina. Chapter headings are: Repairing Our Religion; A Global Gospel; For the Duration and Beyond; Hungry Hearts; A Dictator Surrenders; Wings of Victory; You Can Be Made Over; Christianity is a Costly Religion; Tithing on Tipping; How Large is Your Church; The Abiding Hope and The Certainties of God. The price is \$2.00 and orders should be sent to the publishers, Christopher Publishing House, Boston 20, Mass.

has been divinely given to those who obey God. Further, he declared who had been disobedient: "We are His witnesses of these things," for they were personally acquainted with the whole story of the sufferings, death, and resurrection of the Lord. It is no wonder that the imposing council was struck as by an electric bolt. The words of Peter cut them to the heart and they, if they could, would have leaped upon him like devouring wolves upon a lamb. But after the speech of Gamaliel the apostles were again called into court, cruelly flogged, forbidden to speak further in the name of Christ, and finally released.

Gold in the Golden Text

We ought to obey God rather than men. Acts 5:29.

We must obey God. He is on the throne of the universe. He is our Lord and Saviour. He has the right to command us to do anything He desires. He has the power to enforce any command He lays upon us. While He leaves us free to obey or disobey, there is within us a holy compulsion to do what He commands.

And when the line is drawn between obedience to God and obedience to man, there is but one course open to the loyal heart.

Miss. Southern BSU Hears Riley Munday

The Baptist Student Union of Mississippi Southern College, with Rev. C. S. Moulder as BSU secretary, sponsored a formal banquet at the Y. W. C. A. with approximately 85 attending. The May Pole theme was carried out with colorful streamers and decorations. Place cards were found by matching streamers from two small May Poles.

Guests for the evening were: Riley Munday, statewide B. S. U. secretary; Woody Watkins, with his musical talent, from Mississippi College; Chaplain and Mrs. Carrin from Camp Shelby, with a group of soldiers, and Dr. H. D. Pickens, faculty adviser.

Woody Watkins offered classical and popular piano selections. Miss Joyce Moulder presided during the banquet. The program was as follows: Welcome, by Joyce Moulder; musical skit, by Woody Watkins; orators dramatized, by two volunteers; a skit by B. S. U. members; congregational singing, led by Rev. Eugene Keebler; a talk, by Riley Munday; a musical quiz story with Joyce Moulder giving the reading accompanied at the piano by Woody Watkins; and Bro. Moulder presented the B. S. U. with First Magnitude for the year 1944-45.

Reva Langston, outgoing president for 1944-45, presented Mr. Moulder with a gold lapel pen with B. S. U. engraved in triangular letters. This was very much a surprise to Bro. Moulder. He expressed his gratitude to the council for the gift and the good work they have accomplished on M. S. C. campus for this year.—Emily Ann Bickerstaff, B. S. U. reporter.

Senator Seeks Repeal Of Church Meeting Restrictions

Washington, D. C.—(INS)—Prompted by increasing protests from clergymen and church members against travel limitations placed on religious groups, Senator Hugh Butler (R) of Nebraska called on Col. J. Monroe Johnson, chairman of the War Committee on Conventions and head of the Office of Defense Transportation, "to repeal this onerous restriction on the religious organizations of the nation."

Senator Butler expressed the conviction that the order restricting church meetings, or demanding that permits be received from the ODT before some meetings are held, was "utterly unconstitutional," and said it should be revoked by the War Committee on Conventions itself.

"I am sure that other senators and members of the House of Representatives have received the same type of protests, particularly since the ban on horse-racing was lifted May 9," Butler told the Senate.

"I realize as well as anyone that travel facilities are over-taxed and that every American should refrain from traveling, particularly on trains, unless he must," he said. "But I know that religious organizations do not usually call meetings for frivolous purposes and that they do not urge people to attend meetings just for the train ride."

First, Kosciusko: Our Vacation Bible school began June 4 with Miss Auris Pender serving as director of the school.—Rowe Holcomb, pastor.

BAPTIST TRAINING UNION

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 Associates: Miss Louise Hill, Miss Clarice Conner
 Miss Nella Dean Mitchell, Mrs. L. R. Williams

Orchids To Our District Presidents

This week our District Training Union Presidents are exceedingly busy going each night, except Wednesday night, to a different association in their district to hold a conference with the Associational officers, Pastors, and Training Union Leaders of the churches. They are doing a grand job of it. In addition to the get acquainted fellowship part of the evenings program they are leading the associations to adopt a real program for the rest of 1945. In November these District Presidents plan a return visit to each of these associations to help in the making out of a program for the first half of 1946, and thus the interest is increased, the work promoted, and the Lord glorified. In the meetings this week (a few of them will be held next week) the following list of goals is submitted and in most cases adopted in toto:

1. All associational officers complete the study of the Associational Training Union Manual by August 1st (Home study or otherwise).
2. Nominate all associational officers before September 1st and submit list to regular association for ratification.
3. Hold Associational meetings regularly, Executive, Leaders and Officers Conference, Mass meeting.
4. Emphasize Efficiency—At least 10% of unions in the association reaching their standard of excellence next quarter.
5. Start, and continue plans to secure reports from all unions. These to be received at Mass meeting each quarter and a copy of each mailed to the State Training Union Department.
6. Every Union have a study course in 1945.
7. Each Associational officer teach at least one study course in July or August.
8. Associational social or fellowship meeting (a fine way to build friendships).
9. New Unions to be organized: Training Unions? ----- In what churches? -----
 Individual Unions: Adults -----
 Young people ----- Intermediate ----- Junior ----- Story Hour -----
10. Review this sheet each week! Keep the goals alive.

This is a four months program. At the close of the four months, or November 1, to each association reporting that they have reached all ten goals, a felt pennant worded "Associational Efficiency" will be awarded.

Such a program can but result in much good, the strengthening of the individual Christians who participate, the winning of many lost to the Saviour, and the extension of His kingdom. Pray for it.

Henry C. Rogers Goes to Dallas

Friends of Mr. Henry C. Rogers, once Training Union secretary of Alabama, then for some years Training Union secretary of Tennessee, then for several years Southwide Intermediate Union leader, and for the last year or two pastor of the First Baptist Church, Lincolnton, N. C., has accepted the position as associate pastor of the First Baptist Church, Dallas, Texas. Dr. W. A. Criswell is the pastor of

this great church and no greater team could be matched than these two great leaders. Mr. Rogers will help with the pastoral duties, preach when needed, and will be in general charge of church activities. The church really gets two additional workers as Mrs. Rogers will prove a great asset to the church life as well as will Henry. Our best wishes go with them as they enter this new field July 15.

Pecan Grove Jones County Joins List of Training Union Churches

Thanks to Miss Bessie Purvis, associational Training Union director of Jones county, for a report on the recent enlargement of the work of the Pecan Grove Baptist Church, Jones county. Miss Purvis was privileged to go to this church on Sunday, May 13, and help them organize a fully graded union, that is a union with all five units. Mr. H. C. Bullock, Sr., was elected director; Mrs. Calvin Reeves, associate director; Mrs. N. T. Herrington, secretary; Mr. H. C. Bullock, Jr., chorister; Mrs. Calvin Reeves, pianist; Mrs. E. E. Johnson, Intermediate leader; Mrs. Foster Bullock, Junior leader; Mrs. Hubert Bullock, Story Hour leader. Rev. S. E. Nix is the pastor. The church has recently gone to full time. This church is only a few years old and has demonstrated its value to the community. Congratulations and best wishes go to them, and to Miss Purvis, ever alert to the opportunities of extending the work.

Dr. John R. Sampey, ex-president of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky., said, "The Baptist Training Union is the people's seminary." Just as a theological seminary helps round out, teach and train a preacher for effective service, the Training Union contributes to the individual church member.

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MISSISSIPPI COLLEGE PARAGRAPHS

By D. M. Nelson, President

Commencement Sunday is June 17. Dr. Wallace Bassett, pastor of Cliff Temple Baptist Church, Dallas, Texas, will deliver the baccalaureate sermon. Dr. Bassett is one of the outstanding preachers among Southern Baptists. He will bring a great message. We are most fortunate in securing him for this service.

Commencement day is Monday, June 18. Sixty choice young men and young women will receive their diplomas. We doubt if there is a small college in the country graduating so many in this war period. Judge Percy M. Lee, of Forest, Miss., will deliver the baccalaureate address. Judge Lee was graduated from Mississippi College in 1911. He served with distinction as district attorney of his district for a number of years and is now the able circuit judge of that district. His loyalty and devotion to his Alma Mater has been evidenced by graduating two of his sons and a daughter here; and another son was in school here until he was called out into the service of his country. Judge Percy Lee is a splendid example of the type of Christian layman which Mississippi College has to offer to society. He will bring an inspiring message.

We received a few days ago a contribution to the enlargement program from Prof. J. M. Sharp, professor emeritus of mathematics, and for a long time active professor of mathematics in Mississippi College. Along with Prof. P. H. Eager, he retired in 1916. At that time there was no provision for retirement benefit, so these faithful teachers received no financial consideration from the college until 1932. At that time the Board of Trustees elected each professor emeritus of his department and provided a stipend of \$50.00 a month. This amount Prof. Eager continued to receive until his passing two or three years ago; and Prof. Sharp, now ninety-four years old, continues to be the recipient of this modest sum from the institution he loves and served so long and faithfully.

The Board of Trustees now has a definite pension plan whereby teachers may retire upon a benefit at the age of sixty-five and are automatically retired at the age of seventy. This is in keeping with the best practice of all educational institutions, as well as industrial and governmental organizations. Under this plan the monthly

PROF. HAMLET R. CARTER

Hamlet R. Carter, widely known Mississippi educator and superintendent of the Pontotoc schools, died Friday at the Veterans Facility at Biloxi following a heart attack. He was 50 years of age.

Born in Winston county, he attended Ackerman High school and was graduated from Mississippi College, Clinton. He took his M. A. degree at Peabody College, Nashville, Tenn.

He had taught at Camden, Canton, Scott County Agricultural High school, and Forest before going to Pontotoc nine years ago. He was a World War I veteran and a colonel on Governor Tom Bailey's staff.

Besides his wife, Mrs. Elizabeth Mansell Carter, he is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Sarah Schaeen, Pontotoc; two sons, Lt. H. R. Carter, Jr., in Germany; Howard Carter, U. S. Navy, at the University of Kentucky; one brother, Howard Carter, Sturgis; and one sister, Mrs. Joe McDonald, Prentiss.

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The West Salem Baptist Church in Greene county needs 25 church pews ten feet in length. Anyone having pews of this size for sale please contact the pastor, Rev. J. J. Hedgepeth, Monticello, Mississippi.

stipend runs from \$25.00, retiring at sixty-five after fifteen years of service, to \$75.00 retiring at seventy after twenty-five years and above of service. Three have retired under this plan: Drs. J. W. Provine and M. Latimer, who are drawing the maximum amount, and Prof. J. R. Hitt, whose stipend is \$70.00 per month. These amounts are paid out of current operations and are in line with amounts paid by other institutions and organizations, even where beneficiaries shared in building up the fund.

We are beginning to buy material for the enlargement of our Library Building. This much-needed improvement is made possible by two circumstances: First, the discovery of oil within three-quarters of a mile of a forty-acre tract of land in Marion county, owned by Mississippi College, while negotiations were pending on an offer of \$25.00 per acre. Due to the change in the situation, the oil company with which we were dealing agreed to give \$500 per acre instead of \$25.00. The college thus received \$20,000 for the lease of the mineral rights of the forty acres instead of \$1,000. Second, the General Education Board, of New York, agreed to supplement this amount to a maximum of \$17,500. Thus with this expenditure of \$37,500, we will be able to double our library space, relieving the congestion and greatly increasing its usefulness.

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THE MEANING OF JUNE 24

Sunday, June 24, is designated as Christian Education Day in Mississippi. On this day special emphasis is made on the importance of Christian Education in our churches and their organizations. History testifies to the importance of Christian education in every walk of life. Churches will suffer, the denomination will suffer, and the nation will suffer if we allow our Christian institutions of higher learning to become weak and inefficient in any way. Christian education assures the churches of a competent and consecrated leadership both in pastors and the lay leadership of the churches.

The writer has been impressed as he has visited city, town and country churches over the state with the large percentage of the active membership who have been trained in our Christian colleges. Such men and women are filling places of highest leadership in most of our churches.

All our Baptist colleges in Mississippi need financial assistance now. New dormitories are needed by all our colleges to house those now asking admittance to our schools. While money is plentiful in the hands of our Baptist people, individuals and churches should see that these buildings and other equipment are supplied.

The colleges also need endowment to supplement their income for operating expense. None of them has enough. Through gifts, memorials, bequests and insurance policies we can adequately endow these schools. The Mississippi Baptist Foundation is the agency set up by the Convention to handle these trust funds. Make a special offering on June 24 for the endowment of these colleges, and mail the offering to Dr. D. A. McCall, Box 530, Jackson, Mississippi, and state that you want the Foundation to handle it for the colleges.

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LeTourneau Lists Principles For International Organization

Winona Lake, Ind.—(RNS)—Four principles which he believes should be incorporated into the plans for an international organization have been communicated by Robert G. LeTourneau, president of the Winona Lake Christian Assembly, and well-known industrialist, to Harold E. Stassen, a member of the U. S. delegation to the United Nations Conference at San Francisco.

Mr. LeTourneau called for guarantees of freedom of worship, speech, press, and peaceful assembly for all people everywhere, an equal justice to all nations under an established code of international law.

He also urged that smaller nations be given their rightful place in the world organization, with membership open to all willing to assume its responsibilities, no member of the security council permitted to veto consideration of any just cause, and application of the charter to all alike.

Definite provision should be made for continued collaboration, he said, with all changes in boundaries subject to impartial review, help for defeated nations to find their own democratic leadership, and assurance to backward and dependent peoples that they can progress toward autonomy in security and peace.

Gardner Holds Revival For Deaf



Dr. J. W. Gardner, Home Board missionary to the deaf recently held a revival in First church, Moss Point, where there are about 80 deaf mutes employed at the Jackson County Woolen Mills. These people live in and around Moss Point and Pascagoula and have a Sunday school class

at First church, Moss Point. One of their number, Virgil A. Davis, is the teacher of the class.

During the revival services there were ten additions to the church, six of whom came for baptism. They are in need of a pastor who will come at least once a month to conduct services for them.—J. F. Brock, pastor.

Pilgrim's Rest church, Zion, J. R. Reedy, pastor, is on the Glory Roll of Blue Mountain College Endowment Campaign.

"Bible Music," by Lulu Rumsey Wiley, is a valuable addition to Bible literature. The author has made an extensive research into the various phases of the subject. The origin,

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H. H. WARD

WARD IS UNION COUNTY MISSIONARY

Rev. H. H. Ward, Mississippian, is coming back to Mississippi from Alabama to become associational missionary for Union County Association. Rev. Ward has been pastor at Grand Bay, Alabama, but previous to that time served several Mississippi churches.

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Heroes of Faith on Pioneer Trails by E. Myers (Happy) Harrison is a "must" book for the church library, indeed for all Christian people. Dr. Harrison has done a remarkable work of discovering the central ideal and scriptural text which governed the life of each character. The whole world is deeply indebted to David Brainerd, William Carey, Henry Martyn, Robert Morrison, Adoniram Judson, John Williams, Robert Moffatt, David Livingston, Hudson Taylor and John G. Paton—these men whose record will forever bear testimony to their complete devotion to the commands of Jesus Christ. One of the founders and

Baptists Hospitals Are Outstanding

By Louis J. Bristow

Baptist hospitals in the South admitted 156,837 patients during 1944, and 20,666 babies were born in them, according to the annual review in the Journal of the American Medical Association. I service Baptist hospitals stand in the forefront. Among non-government-owned hospitals, usually they lead all others. In Alabama, Arkansas, Louisiana (2), Mississippi, North Carolina, Oklahoma (2), South Carolina, Tennessee and Texas (4) Baptist hospitals in their respective cities led all non-government hospitals in the number of patients; and in four other states Baptist hospitals stood second in number of patients. This fact is a tribute to the quality of work done in Baptist hospitals; and to the Christian aspect of their service. Folk would not patronize a hospital if its service were unsatisfactory.

Southern Baptist Hospital in New Orleans led all Baptist hospitals in the nation in the number of patients admitted last year, and was exceeded only by one non-government hospital in the United States, namely the Presbyterian Hospital in New York City. Only seven non-government hospitals in the United States admitted more than 20,000 patients last year, and two of the seven were Baptist—Baylor in Dallas and Southern Baptist in New Orleans.

Baptists are endeavoring through their hospitals to carry out the divine command to "heal the sick." It is a gracious, Christ-like ministry, and many are the beneficiaries.

the first president of the Conservative Baptist Foreign Mission Society, Dr. Harrison is now under appointment by that board to return to Burma. He and Mrs. Harrison expect to leave this country as soon as doors are opened and arrangements can be made. The price is \$2.00 and orders should be sent to the Baptist Book Store or to the publisher, the Moody Press, 153 Institute Place, Chicago, Ill.

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PHIL J. WALKER.

Rev. Phil Walker moved to the Mars Hill church field, Amite county, on April 11 from the Bethel church, Pearl River county. Since his coming there have been 23 additions to the church, ten of whom were for baptism.

Mars Hill has recently gone from half time to full time. The Rev. Mr. Walker succeeds Rev. S. G. Pope, who has accepted a pastorate in Louisiana.

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Rev. D. W. Nix assisted his brother, Rev. S. E. Nix, in the revival at Pecan Grove church, Jones county, the week of May 20-27. There were 14 additions making a total of 26 additions since January.—Mrs. N. T. Herrington, church clerk.

There were 36 additions during the recent meeting at the Baptist church in Providence, Kentucky. I go next to Red House, Kentucky, near Richmond for a revival.—Paul Montgomery, evangelist.

Dr. W. Herschel Ford, Southside Baptist Church, Jacksonville, Florida, has baptized 140 new members since the first of January. This church believes in perennial evangelism and has had a remarkable growth in the six years that Dr. Ford has been their pastor.

Since the Junior Department and the pastor met with the superintendent, Mrs. N. B. Saucier, for the special radio program and breakfast there have been five to make a profession of faith in Christ.—A. H. Childress, pastor, Coffeetown church.

SECY. McCALL WRITES (Continued from Page One)

The devil is out in front here in his ministry. Some of Christ's people are holding the fort—about all they are able to do at present. Baptists need to stage a great advance in Alaska. "Like a mighty army moves the church of God!"

A recent Sunday at Fairbanks' Baptist Mission was one of the great days of our trip. We attended Sunday school and heard an animated discussion of the lesson—good Bible students. There were five Eskimos present with twice as many white people in the class. The children sang some choruses. The services are held in the Masonic Temple. A good morning congregation registered at the worship hour. We were privileged to preach on "The Blood of Christ." The singing was good. The spirit was good. We were in two fine homes for meals during the day. In the evening, a dozen grownups were in the adult union with an excellent program. Another good congregation attended the evening worship. They sang, "Power in the Blood," "Amazing Grace," and "There is a Name I Love to Hear." A young man, an Eskimo recently converted, sang, "I'm a Child of the King." It was thrilling! He then sang the chorus of "He is So Precious to Me," in his own language. A couple of Eskimo women sang later also in their language, "In the Sweet Bye and Bye," and "God Be With You Till We Meet Again." It was lifting! At this service we brought the gospel message. The young Eskimo man announced, "After the morning message, I feel I must preach."

The pastor said the offering for the day was the best in the life of the mission in the regular services. We felt it—it was a great day in His service! Scotchie, Jr., made a good talk on the work of the young people back in his own church and in the state.

House of Worship Needed

These people need a house of worship. They have \$500 in the building fund. They need pastoral support that the pastor may give full time to the work. Baptists will fail Christ if they fail these people! It is the opportunity of lifetime for Christ's work!

Pastor Dunkin, Fairbanks, met us at the plane and has been most gracious. He drove us out to the University of Alaska, presenting us to the president. We then visited a large placer gold mine at Ester. None of it stuck!

The next day we started for circle 165 miles north—at the arctic circle. We got within 30-40 miles of it through a snow storm, and at Eagle summit were stopped by a 12-foot snow drift in the highway. We had followed very mountainous roads all the way, seeing caribou, and four placer gold mines.

The next day we drove 100 miles down the Alcan highway to Big delta. The Tanana is SOME river. We got within a few feet of a wild porcupine. We later went out to where sled dogs are raised and trained.

Brother Dunkin gave Scotchie, Jr., a small nugget of gold as it came from one of the dome mines.

We visited a couple of Eskimo villages and went all over Fairbanks viewing the church buildings, etc. There are 72 places in this city of seven thousand people, where liquor is sold. We have seen too many drunks already, though many of the fine Christian people do not touch it. We have never seen so many airplanes

EFFECTIVE SPIRITUAL STRATEGY (Continued From Page One)

devotion and fidelity of New Testament churches rather than on a colossal world church organization.—E. C. R.)

"Personally, I would be interested in serious study given to the effect which the concept of 'The Church' as an ecclesiastical and organic world body will have upon the spread of the gospel of Jesus Christ in the nations of the world. In China, India, and other countries we have often heard some expression as this: 'We like Jesus and His teachings, but we do not like 'The Church.''" Some of us believe strongly that the history of 'The Church' as an ecclesiastical order affords abundant occasion for such fear or dislike. In the light of the nationalism of non-Christian peoples, particularly of the Orient and the non-white races, I am concerned about the hindrance which this concept of 'The Church' as an ecclesiastical order may offer to the spread of the gospel of Jesus Christ.

"Questions arise in my thinking as to the effectiveness of efforts for world peace and the promotion of righteousness which are undertaken by 'The Church' as such. In the opinion of many of us, peace and righteousness will be achieved through men and not through 'The Church' as a world order. In fact, I think history shows that it is precisely this concept of 'The Church' which has often stood in the way of the progress of the righteousness of Jesus Christ.

"I am concerned about the detailed amount of postwar planning that is being conducted in centralized points for Christians all over the world. Planning committees in a few central points, mainly in the western nations, are projecting detailed plans for schools, colleges, churches, and other Christian undertakings in China, India and all areas of the younger churches. This, of course, is in keeping with the whole concept of the

anywhere in proportion to the population. They deliver groceries, medicines and other things by planes using skis in the winter and wheels or pontoons in the summer. The people are very friendly. We have not seen people more friendly, if as friendly as these Alaskans!

No Night Here

We are writing at 10:40 p. m. It is supposed to be night here at Fairbanks, but we have not seen any darkness since arriving. We have been awake at 10:30, 11:30, 12:30, 2:30 and 3:30 in the evenings and mornings, and yet not one bit of darkness have we seen! At only a little over one hour before midnight we are in our hotel room writing with the electric lights turned OFF. Within two weeks they will have ball games at midnight—with light only from the sun. At 10 o'clock, after the service tonight, we saw a beautiful rainbow and the sun was a big ball of red and high in the sky. If we had no watch we would not know whether we were going to bed or getting up!

At exactly 12 o'clock midnight we were reading John 3, and I Corinthians 13 from a small New Testament, in the light of the sun! We thought of "... the city had no need of the sun, neither of the moon, to shine in it for the glory of God did lighten it, and the Lamb is the light thereof." Revelations 21:23. This scripture does not mean Fairbanks, Alaska!

SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD CELEBRATES (Continued from Page One)

year. He has just reached the retirement age. Southern Baptists, as well as the Sunday School Board, owe Dr. Alldredge an everlasting debt of gratitude for his matchless services during these years. He plans to write a number of books after his retirement.

Routh Succeeds Alldredge

Porter Routh, the brilliant young editor of the Oklahoma Messenger, Oklahoma City, was elected to succeed Dr. Alldredge. Brother Routh, who succeeded his distinguished father, Dr. E. C. Routh, as editor, has had much valuable experience in the editorial field and he is considered preeminently qualified by those who know him best for his new position. He is the president of the Baptist Editors Association.

The Board accepted regretfully the resignation of Dr. Howard M. Reaves, associate editorial secretary, who becomes pastor of the First Baptist of Mobile, Alabama, the first of July. Robert S. Denny, Baptist student secretary at Baylor University, Waco, Texas, was elected as associate secretary in the Baptist Student Department. Hardie C. Bass, Jr., who has been with the Bell Aircraft Corporation in Marietta, Ga., was elected as a member of the staff in the Architecture department. Mrs. Clifton J. Allen was elected as associate in the book department, specializing in books for children. Dr. W. F. Powell, Nashville, was reelected president of the Board; Dr. James W. Winn, Nashville, recording secretary; and Dr. T. L. Holcomb, Nashville executive secretary-treasurer.

The Board appropriated \$12,500 to the building funds of each of the four theological seminaries, the Southern in Louisville, the Southwestern in Fort Worth, the Bible Institute in New

nature and function of 'The Church.' Dr. William Adams Brown expressed the idea in saying that we need 'a central body in touch with all the different parts of the life of the church which can think and plan for the whole. To borrow military language, we need a general staff.'

"If Christianity is to be indigenous, little groups of Christians throughout the world must do their own thinking and planning, and their undertakings must be in terms of their own experiences. It is true that their planning and undertakings may be 'backward' and 'bungling,' as compared with the 'efficiency' of 'a central body'; but at least they will be real in that they are products of their own thinking and experience.

"I earnestly believe that the questions I am raising here call for serious study. Church leaders who have been working through the years to achieve ecclesiastical and organic unity see an opportunity in the present upheaval of the routines of mission work to consolidate their plans for such unity before there is a chance to re-establish individual and separate undertakings. Some of these leaders are prepared to welcome the achievement of organic unity though it may come by the use of military coercion, as has been the case in Japan and occupied China. This is the theme of the multiplicity of post-war planning of our mission councils. 'The Church,' they claim, is going to cure all of its own evils and save the world by becoming an organically united ecclesiastical world order!"

MY FAVORITE SERMON (Continued from Page One)

our churches?

1. Prayer is fundamental—alone, groups—"More things are wrought by prayer than this world dreams of." We have the example and precepts of Christ and many of His disciples. It is greatly needed now. Prayer preceded Pentecost. How much do you pray? When do you pray? For what, and for whom, do you pray? How do you pray? Why do you pray? II Chronicles 7:14.

2. Purity of life is needful. The life speaks more loudly than the lip. This is a requisite to the leader and to the laity. To the preacher and to the people. The Lord demands purity. If surgeons and nurses are required to "be pure" in the operating room when dealing with physical life, how much more should we be in dealing with the question of eternal life!

3. Proclamation of the Word has its place. A very definite place. To preach, proclaim, or witness to the Word, it is indispensable that it be known. "Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing (cutting a straight course through) the Word of truth." II Tim. 2:15.

If you will read the first two chapters of Acts you will find these principles definitely taught. Paul and his associates followed these plans. Preaching should be: Plain, pure, pointed, personal, practical, pungent, purposeful.

When these teachings are followed our "churches will be strengthened in the faith and increase in number." Let each make a personal examination of self to see what can be done to "strengthen our churches daily." When shall we do this? NOW! Let us do all these for the glory of our Lord.

Hear ye the Master's call, "Give Me thy best!"

For be it great or small, That is His test.

Do then the best you can, Not for reward,

Nor for the praise of man, But for the Lord.

Orleans, and the American Baptist Seminary (Negro) in Nashville. Some months ago a similar amount had been appropriated, making \$25,000 to each of the theological schools, which immediately becomes available to them.

Another important step taken was the authorization of the purchase of the song book business of Robert H. Coleman, Dallas, Texas, on the terms proposed by Mr. Coleman. This will include all song books, copyrights, plates, good will, etc. The details of the deal are to be worked out later.

Receipts Total \$4,157,884

Despite all the difficulties due to the war situation, the Board's receipts from all sources last year were \$4,157,884.14, an increase over the previous year of \$324,095.70. The total amount expended by the Board in denominational appropriations and work of the promotional departments was \$656,618.25, an increase of \$24,893.75 over the previous year. During the fifty-three years of its existence the Board has turned back into the denominational work \$13,000,000.

The Board now has 77 periodicals, with a total circulation of 23,000,000 a year, and also it publishes a million copies of books a year. It has now a chain of 25 book stores with sales aggregating last year \$2,500,000.